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Dry Fork Prescribed Burn

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Vernal, Utah - With the cooler temperatures and high moisture levels the Vernal Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is planning (weather permitting) to conduct a prescribed burn in Dry Fork Canyon the month of December. The burn is the next step in the Dry Fork Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project, which was started in April of this year.

The Dry Fork Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project was planned to aid in the protection of the homes and community of Dry Fork, which is a community listed on the Federal Register of Communities at Risk. Twelve sections of pinion juniper (approximately 232 acres) were hand cut by a contract crew. Local BLM Fire Crews then went into the parcels and made a fuel break between the live fuels and the dead and down fuels. Now the dead and down fuels need to be burned while weather conditions are favorable for fire control. The acres will be reseeded following the burn.

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